

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	DOCKET NO. RPU-01-9
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**ORDER RESCHEDULING HEARING AND
MODIFYING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

(Issued March 7, 2002)

On March 4, 2002, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) an "Emergency Motion for Extension of Time." Pursuant to the procedural schedule issued by the Board on January 2, 2002, in Docket No. RPU-01-9, MidAmerican was to file rebuttal testimony on March 5, 2002, an optional prehearing brief on March 7, 2002, and a hearing was scheduled beginning March 25, 2002. Because its return on equity witness was recently hospitalized, MidAmerican asked that, with respect to return on equity issues only, the three dates referred to be extended to March 11, March 13, and April 1, 2002, respectively.

The emergency motion for extension is for good cause and the Board will grant the extension. However, the Board does not believe it is an economical use of time to bifurcate the hearing, with return of equity issues being heard on April 1 and all other issues on March 25. Therefore, the Board will reschedule the March 25 hearing for April 1, 2002, so that all issues will be heard at a single hearing. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The procedural schedule issued on January 2, 2002, in Docket No. RPU-01-9, is modified as follows:

a. MidAmerican shall file its rebuttal testimony on the return on equity issues, with underlying workpapers and exhibits, on or before March 11, 2002.

b. All parties that choose to file a prehearing brief on the return on equity issues may do so on or before March 13, 2002.

c. A hearing shall be held beginning at 9 a.m. on April 1, 2002, for the purpose of receiving testimony and the cross-examination of all testimony. The hearing shall be held in the Board's hearing room at 350 Maple Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0069. The parties shall appear one-half hour prior to the time of the hearing for the purpose of marking exhibits. Persons with disabilities requiring assistive devices to observe or participate should contact the Utilities Board at (515) 281-5256 in advance of the scheduled date to request that appropriate arrangements be made.

2. All other aspects of the procedural schedule issued January 2, 2002, remain unchanged.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 7th day of March, 2002.